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ALLIED RESISTANCE CEASES IN LEROS

Nazi Success Exposes British Troops In Samos: Fifth Army Gains Ground With "Painful Slowness": Airfields Near Marseilles Bombed

LONDON, November 17.
(From Reuter's Military Correspondent)

It is officially announced that organised resistance has ceased on the island of Leros. After five days' most determined resistance Anglo-Italian forces on the islands have had to give up the struggle.

NAZI AIR POWER DOES IT

It is a success that the Germans owe entirely to their air superiority in this restricted region sufficiently remote from Middle East bases for fighters to be above to have given effective protection against German Stuka bombers from Rhodes, Crete and Cos. British troops fought creditably, but they had been exposed to night and day attacks and it was apparently not been found possible or desirable either to reinforce them or to evacuate them.

The position of British troops in Samos becomes more exposed as the result of the loss of Leros, but the whole episode has no real military importance.

Allied Bombers Over Crete And Rhodes

CAIRO: To-day's Middle East 'communique' says: "Throughout yesterday the enemy continued his overwhelming aerial bombardment of Leros. After very severe fighting and in spite of most determined resistance in the face of fresh enemy reinforcements, organised resistance ceased in the evening.

Spitfires and Hurricanes carried out offensive reconnaissance of Rhodes and Crete. Damage was inflicted on enemy installations in Crete by Hurricanes. Longrange fighters over Leros shot down Arado 196. Sibel ferry west of Calinos was attacked by Beaufighters. After catching fire it was seen to blow up. Last night airfields of Calato and Maritza (Rhodes) were bombed.

Preliminary reports point to both attacks being successful. From these and other operations three of our aircraft are missing.

Istres And Salon Bombed

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, NORTH AFRICA: It is officially announced that an airfield near Marseilles was bombed yesterday by a very considerable force.

It is officially stated here that the raid by heavy and medium bombers on Salon and Istres marks a renewed Allied offensive against German torpedo bomber bases on the flank of the Western Mediterranean shipping lanes. The bombers left the hangars, parked aircraft and warehouses blazing and smoking, the Fortresses shooting down 12 Messerschmitts over Istres.

One of the greatest forces of fighter-bombers ever used maintained pressure on the German frontline in Italy.

Istres was Marseilles' principal airport in peace time and was a regular stop on international air routes.

Istres is 25 miles north-west of Marseilles and the Salon aerodrome is a few miles north-east of Istres. Both are on the edge of Etang de Berre, an inland lagoon used by flying boats.

On Fifth Army Front

To-day's 'communique' said:—"Very bad weather continued to restrict operations on both the Eighth and Fifth army fronts. Patrol clashes took place. Some enemy prisoners were captured."

DELAYED Reuter's special correspondent with the Fifth Army cabled: "The Fifth Army has its claws in the German Winter Line which is between thirty and forty miles in depth", said an Allied military officer. The line stretches roughly from north-east of the Garigliano region through a mountainous and river veined country to the east coast. The Germans are making this line, or more correctly this series of natural defence lines a bar to the road to Rome. Even the smallest mountain feature has to be wrested from them by force which is out of all proportion to the size of the front and the gain made. It is hard foot slogging for the Fifth Army. Ground is being won, but with painful slowness. Nothing spectacular can be expected in the immediate future.

Inside Yugoslavia

LONDON: The Free Yugoslavia radio quoted to-day's 'communique' from the Headquarters of the Yugoslav Army of Liberation as saying: "In Servia, Sanjak, Montenegro, Herzegovina and Macedonia successful offensive operations are being carried out. In eastern Bosnia in the neighbourhood of Tuzla, units of the 16th Division are carrying out obstinate defensive battles with superior German forces. In Slovenia a strong offensive of German divisions has been broken up. Units of the Yugoslav Army of Liberation have now begun a counter-offensive in some sectors".

MUSSOLINI DRAWS REPUBLICAN SCHEME

LONDON, Nov. 16.

The German News Agency announced to-night that Mussolini's Italian Republican Fascist Party has drawn up a manifesto meant to serve as a basis for the new Republican constitution.

The manifesto lays down the abolition of monarchy and would hold Roman Catholic religion to be the official religion for the republic. Other religions are to be held in esteem.

Jews would be considered foreigners and in wartime treated as members of a hostile nation.

Liberation of occupied Italy and sufficient living space to safeguard the 45 million Italians.

Private property while guaranteed by the State must not be used as a means of exploitation.—Reuter.

TURKISH AIR BASES FOR ALLIES?

MADRID, Nov. 16.

The German Ambassador to Turkey Franz von Papen who has arrived in Berlin will make an important report to Hitler on the "real results of the Cairo talks" between Mr. Eden and the Turks, according to the Berlin correspondent of the Spanish newspaper "A B C" to-day.

Von Papen, the correspondent writes, has arrived in Berlin at a moment which may be considered delicate. He says that Berlin quarters have always trusted the objectivity and sagacity shown by Turkish leaders in the defence of national interests.

Dealing with the Cairo talks, the correspondent states, it was thought possible that

Turkey, while safeguarding her policy of independence and maintaining her neutrality, might cede bases to her British Ally.

It was an open secret, he writes, that Turkey has made a splendid effort in the last few years in the sphere of aviation and has built a great number of large aerodromes which are obviously not in consonance with the real importance of the Turkish Air Force. The Turkish Air Force, he added, has "in many cases not even occupied such aerodromes".—Reuter.

The German news agency says the former Vichy Colonial Governor and Departmental Chief for Propaganda and Information M. Andre Bonamy has been killed by "terrorists".

LEBANON PEACE PROSPECTS

Syrian Search For Solution Of Crisis: Catroux Sees Puppet Premier

BEIRUT, Nov. 17.

General Catroux on Tuesday afternoon had a long talk with Emile Edde who was appointed Premier of the Lebanon by the French authorities.

Syrian Search For Solution

Diplomatic approaches by the Syrian Government to the French authorities in search of a solution of the crisis in the Lebanon were reported by the Foreign Minister, Selim Takla, in a debate in the Syrian Parliament to-day. The Minister said that confidence had been redoubled by the arrival of the French Commissioner for Moslem Affairs, General Catroux, at Beirut and there seemed a possibility of the crisis ending happily.

The Chamber passed a vote of confidence in the Government.

U. S. Interest In Lebanon

WASHINGTON, Nov. 16: The Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull at his Press Conference to-day said that the State Department is giving attention to communications received from several Governments with regard to the Lebanese problems. He disclosed that Egypt is among the Governments from which such communications have been received.

Mr. Hull revealed that the State Department has taken up the matter with the French Committee of National Liberation in an effort to be helpful. The British, he said, have a leading position on this matter.—Reuter.

Support To Helleu Policy

ALGIERS: The spokesman of the French Committee of National Liberation said here to-day: "Suggestions of disagreement between the members of the French Committee of National Liberation and the French Delegate-General in the Lebanon, M. Jean Helleu, regarding the responsibility of the latter are untrue. On the contrary M. Helleu's actions to protect French commitments in the Levant have always had the full support of the members of the French Committee of National Liberation".—Reuter.

Communists And French Committee

ALGIERS: Reuter's special correspondent writes:— It now appears less than 24 hours after the official announcement of the Communists' acceptance of posts in the French Committee of National Liberation, that their appointment is uncertain. A formal statement from the Liberation Committee is expected.

Jap Shipping Bombed At Kowloon And Rabaul

CHUNGKING, Nov. 17.

A 'communique' from General Stilwell's Headquarters to-day said that shipping in Kowloon dock area of Hongkong was attacked by United States bombers on Monday night. Many hits were scored. During the day Mitchells attacked shipping and docks at Fort Bayard on the Kwangchowan Peninsula in South China.

Chinese Mission To Britain

CALCUTTA: At the invitation of the British Government and in accordance with the desire expressed by the People's Political Council at one of its recent sessions in Chungking, a Chinese Mission is proceeding to London and will pass through Calcutta this week states the China Information Bulletin issued by the China Ministry of Information in Calcutta.

The Mission is composed of five members selected from the People's Political Council and the Legislative Yuan.

Dr. Wang Shih-Chieh is the leader of the Mission.

RABAUL SHIPPING BOMBED

Reuter's special correspondent at the Allied Headquarters in South-West Pacific cables:— Allied planes, bombing from mast height, are continuing to strike at Rabaul shipping in a determined campaign to make the key New Guinea base untenable for the Japanese. Australian airmen were at the controls of a large force of Beauforts which carried out a daring midnight raid on the base last Sunday.

Skimming the waters of the harbour in low level bombing, they sank one 8,000 ton transport with two direct hits and damaged another merchantman. The following day United States Navy 'Catalinas' caught a Japanese 9,000 ton cargo ship near Rabaul in Saint Georges Channel between New Ireland and New Britain and forced it to beach.

JAP AIR LOSSES

About the same time the Japanese were losing 20 planes and probably six more out of a force which they had sent to attack Allied aerodromes in advanced Allied land positions. In Ramu Valley, New Guinea, Kittyhawk interceptors shot them down. Meanwhile Liberators, escorted by Thunderbolts, carried out another heavy raid on Aalexishafen up the Japanese held sector of north-east New Guinea Coastline.

In the Solomons a strong marine force spreading out from their Empress Augusta Bay bridgehead on the island of Bougainville, made small advances around the village of Piva just inland from Cape Torokina, according to the South Pacific Headquarters spokesman.

MOVE TO ADDRESS VICEROY PROVES FUTILE

Speaker Rules Out Chetty's Motion For Facilities To End Political Deadlock And Forge National Demand

NEW DELHI, November 17.

The President of the Central Assembly ruled that Mr. Venkatachalam Chetty could not move his motion for presenting an address to the Viceroy on behalf of the Central Assembly, until he obtained the consent of the President and the Government Member in charge of the subject matter sought to be raised.

Mr. Chetty tabled the motion for presenting an address to the Viceroy 'inter alia' requesting him "to create facilities for the leaders of the political parties to meet, to confer and present united demand on behalf of the country to enable the United Kingdom to fulfil the promise."

The preamble of the motion referred to the food situation and the need for securing the whole-hearted co-operation of the people, insistance by Mr. Churchill and Mr. Amery on an agreement among the various political parties and that the Government of India were carrying on, ignoring the demands of either of the parties.

Adjournment Motion Tabled

Mr. G. V. Deshmukh has tabled an adjournment motion in the Central Assembly to discuss the enforcement of the Pegging Act in Durban result, ing in the conviction of Mr. Pather, Joint Secretary, Natal Indian Congress, and the anxiety caused among the Indians there.—United Press

"PRAVDA" ATTACKS ISOLATIONISTS

LONDON, Nov. 17.

The Moscow radio to-day broadcast a "Pravda" leading article attacking United States isolationist publishers, Colonel Robert McCormick, Miss Eleanor Patterson and William Randolph Hearst. These were described as "Americans hostile to the Soviet Union. They are the enemies of not only the Soviet land, but also of their own. But their efforts to split our two countries remain futile".—Reuter.

Food Crisis In Ahmedabad

(From Our Correspondent)

AHMEDABAD, Nov. 17.

Serious food trouble has arisen in the city.

For the last two days, wheat, bajri and rice practically disappeared from the market and shops are empty.

The District Magistrate to-day ordered to sell only 2-1|2 Bengali seers to each person from frozen stock to retailers.

Workers demonstrated before the Majur Mahajan for grain.

JINNAH TO SETTLE IN PUNJAB

Property In Bombay Being Disposed Of

LAHORE, Nov. 17.

It has now been confirmed that Mr. Jinnah is selling his property in Bombay and is permanently settling down in Punjab. He has already sold half of his property in Bombay.

According to his present programme he will proceed to Bombay from Delhi to dispose of the remaining property and from Bombay he will leave for Karachi to preside over the All-India Muslim League Mission.—Orient Press.

"Duty Pay" For Municipal Teachers

The question of paying "duty pay" with grain compensation allowance to all the teachers of the Municipal Schools, who are undergoing training, came up for consideration at the meeting of the Schools Committee on Wednesday.

The Committee decided strongly to recommend the payment, asked the Corporation for an additional grant for the purpose and requested the Corporation to treat it as an urgent item. The expenditure will come to Rs. 1,20,000.

It may be recalled that 400 teachers are on strike since Thursday on this issue.

Dail Backs De Valera

DUBLIN, Nov. 17.

Mr. de Valera carried the Dail with him last night after a long speech in defence of Eire's foreign policy with special reference to neutrality.

"We have taken our stand courageously and deliberately on neutrality because it was only the thing we could do", he said.

"We apologise to no one for what we have done, because we feel it is the right and correct thing.

If it should happen in post-war period that an attempt should be made by any State to vent its anger upon us, we shall have to face it just as we have faced the present time and possibility of attack. We shall face it, I hope, with the same courage with which we have faced the crisis through which we have passed."—Reuter.

TROTSKYISTS CALL TO COMMUNISTS

NEW YORK (By Mail): The National Committee of the Socialist Workers Party in a statement calls upon the Communists to join the Fourth International founded by Leon Trotsky as the Third International is dead, with the dissolution of the Commintern. The Committee finds that the Commintern long ceased to be a "Revolutionary International, its degeneration having begun in 1924 after the passing of Nikolay Lenin.

"The degeneration was caused by the isolation of the first Workers' State in capitalistic encirclement and the rise of the Soviet Union as a privileged Bureaucracy."—India Press Service.

"Mosquitos" Over W. Germany

An Air Ministry 'communique' today says: "Last night Mosquitos of the Bomber Command without loss attacked objectives in western Germany". This was the sixth raid on western Germany in the past ten days.

"TARUN BHARAT" TO RE-APPEAR

NAGPUR, Nov. 17

The Government of India, it is understood, have provisionally granted permission to the "Tarun Bharat", a Marathi daily, to make arrangements for its publication. The first issue of the paper will be out on January 2.—United Press.

Fighting Flares Up North And South Of Pripet Marshes

MOSCOW, Nov. 17.

(From Reuter's special correspondent):

Fighting has flared up to a new climax north and south of the Pripet Marshes. Soviet troops have widened the breach in the German defences along the Gomel Railway west of Ryechitsa to a gap now measuring over ten miles between Babichi and Demekhy, thus definitely isolating Gomel. They have at the same time struck a well-timed blow south of Gomel itself and are advancing rapidly towards the outskirts of the city which is being heavily shelled on both sides of the Dnieper. Co-ordinated blows are being dealt at the southern anchor of the German army's line in White Russia.

South of the Pripet Marshes the battle of the Kiev salient is developing rapidly as Soviet troops complete the outflanking of Korosten. While extending their grip northwards towards Ovruchi, Russians are thrusting ahead in sharp movement below Korosten and pushing westwards beyond the Zhitomir-Korsten Railway, after having captured Turchenka station, 22 miles south of Korosten. With three of their six railway connections cut, the position of the German troops at Korosten is becoming increasingly weak.

General Vatutin's Red Army men are to-day less than six miles from Korosten which is a vital junction on the 'Leningrad-Odessa and Kiev-Warsaw lines. They passed Zlobichi six miles to the south-east last night and are now marching straight on the town. All communications out of Korosten, except those to the rear, have now been cut.

In the Ryechitsa region the Germans are being thrown back in two directions to the west and north in spite of their determined attempts to prevent the Russians from widening the big gap torn in their defences. Nearly all sectors of the railway line west of Ryechitsa as far as Babichi 19 miles west of the Dnieper, are now in Soviet hands, says the "Red Star." The Russians have also penetrated well above the railway line to Saltonova. On one sector the Russians had to repel 20 German counter-attacks. The German losses have been extremely heavy.

LONDON: The Moscow Radio said to-day: "The Germans have thrown into battle new regrouped infantry units and major tank forces in an attempt to restore their position in the Pasiov area south of Kiev. Soviet troops are waging fierce battle and continuing to ward off the enemy's counter-attacks."

Cochrane To Bring Party To India

LONDON, Nov. 17.

C. B. Cochrane will fly to India after christmas to take stars of the West End stage to British troops in out of the way corners. His party is made up of about fifteen of Britains leading musical comedy revue and variety artists and will include a team of his "young ladies". Cochrane said last night, "nothing is too good for the lads serving in India. They have been rather neglected up to now" The party will make an extensive tour.

Cochrane is prepared to give performances in forest clearings if necessary.—Reuter.

FAROUK STILL IN HOSPITAL

CAIRO, Nov. 17.

King Farouk is still in the British military hospital where his condition is stated to be satisfactory.

The King was at the wheel when his private car collided with a transport lorry. Owing to the King's condition, Parliament will be inaugurated on Thursday by Prince Mohamed Aly, heir to the throne.—Reuter.

MADRAS HIGH COURT TURNS DOWN GOVERNMENT'S APPEAL

Shiyali Sabotage Case Judgment

MADRAS, Nov. 16.

Judgment was delivered to-day by Justices King and Shahabuddin in the criminal appeals arising out of what is known as the "Shiyali Sabotage Case." Their Lordships acquitted N. Ramarathnam, first accused, and confirmed the conviction and sentence on the other four accused.

The appeal filed by the Government for enhancement of the sentences was dismissed.

In this case eight persons were tried by the Special Judge, Chingleput, under D.I.R. on charges of conspiracy to blow up the Up-Panar river railway bridge near Shiyali, S.I.Rly., on January 13 last. The trial judge discharged one accused and acquitted two but convicted the remaining five sentencing them to varying terms of imprisonment ranging from seven to three years.

Against their conviction the accused preferred appeals and the Government a revision petition for the enhancement of sentence.

Their Lordships held there was no legal admissible evidence against Ramarathnam, first accused, upon which a conviction could be based. The only evidence against this accused was the confession of his co-accused which could not be admitted as evidence. As regards the remaining accused Their Lordships found that there was sufficient evidence to convict them of the offences with which they were charged.

GOVT.'S PETITION TURNED DOWN

In dismissing the revision petition preferred by Government, Their Lordships observed this was not "a case of skilled criminals plotting with much technical knowledge to bring about far-reaching destruction." They did not think there existed sufficient reasons for enhancing the sentences.

Their Lordships granted certificate to the unsuccessful appellants to appeal to the Federal Court on the point whether Ordinance of 19 of 1943 was 'ultra vires' of the Governor-General.—A.P.

Ex-M. L. C. Released

JUBBULPORE, Nov. 17.

Mr. Kedarnath Rohan, ex-M.L.C. and President of the Municipal Committee of Saugor, who had been in detention as a security prisoner has been released unconditionally from the Central Jail, Jubbulpore.

Mr. Subba Chandra Jain, a security prisoner from Jubbulpore who was released on parole for 14 days has been granted an extension of the parole for another 14 days—United Press.

Collective Fine Imposed On Palus

The Government of Bombay have imposed a collective fine of Rs. 2,500 on the inhabitants of the village of Palus including the hamlet of Nagewadi in Tasgaon Taluka of Satara District.

SEVEN CONGRESSMEN RELEASED

ALMORA, Nov. 16

Seven Congress workers of the Nainital district, detained under D.I.R. 26, have been released unconditionally.—A. P.

CONSPIRACY TO MURDER ALLA BUX?

SHIKARPUR, Nov. 17.

Fuller details are now available of the arrest of Abdulla Bhaya in connection with Alla Bux Murder. Other three persons being Kassim, Kamal and Abdulla. Abdulla is also stated to be a Hur. He has, it is alleged, made clean breast of his guilt before the Deputy Commissioner of Jacobabad. It is not exactly known what he has actually confessed, but it is understood that he has admitted that he is one of those who had shown Allabux to murderers.

It is further learnt that there appears to be very wide conspiracy wherein fairly large number of people are involved including big zamindars. It is stated about 40 persons were stationed on Shikarpur for a number of days solely with the object of murdering Allabux and different people had probably different jobs assigned to them. It is alleged that they have received rations and expenses from one source.—Orient Press.

HIGH COURT ISSUES RULE ON C.P.M.

Echo Of Calcutta Presidency Jail Assault Case

CALCUTTA, Nov. 17.

On an application made on behalf of Mr. Nishitha Nath Kundu M.L.A., the Calcutta High Court issued a Rule on the Chief Presidency Magistrate to show cause why the order made by him dismissing a complaint made by the applicant against H. John, Jailor, Presidency Jail and five others should not be set aside.

The applicant alleged that on April 25, 1943, he was a security prisoner and detained in the Presidency Jail, when an altercation took place between some security prisoners and the ordinary convicts. Upon this the applicant and 34 other security prisoners were assaulted by the opposite party, Shewbaran Singh and three others (who were all ordinary convicts and armed with lathis, bamboo, poles, etc.) at the instigation of the other two opposite party, H. John and Apurba Moitra, the Jailor, and the Additional Jailor of the Presidency Jail, respectively.

In these circumstances the applicant filed a petition of complaint before the Chief Presidency Magistrate against the opposite party under Sections 147/43, 325 and 323 I.P.C. and prayed for process. The Magistrate directed an inquiry by the Deputy Inspector-General of Prisons and after perusing this official's report he dismissed the complaint.

Against this order of dismissal the present application was made.—A. P.

Munshi To Appear For Jaiprakash

BOMBAY, Nov. 17.

The United Press learns that Messrs. Kanga & Co., Solicitors, have briefed Messrs. K. M. Munshi and H. R. Pardiwala to appear, along with Mr. Jiwanlal Kapoor, at the next hearing of the 'Habeas Corpus' case of Mr. Jaiprakash Narain in the Lahore High Court.

The hearing was fixed for Monday November 22 but an application for its adjournment to an early date in December is being made to enable Mr. Munshi to appear.—United Press.

APPEAL FILED IN FEDERAL COURT

Important Question Of Taxation Of Foreign Income

An appeal has been filed in the Federal Court of India by Messrs. Wallace Bros. & Co. Ltd., of London through their agent, R. G. Naik questioning the validity of Sections 4A(c) and 4(I) (b) (ii) of the Indian Income-Tax Act as "ultra vires" the Indian Legislature which it is contended is not competent to pass extra-territorial legislation.

Section 4A(c) provides that a company which derives more than half of its income from British India shall be deemed resident in British India. Under this Section the Bombay High Court held on an Income-Tax Reference that Messrs. Wallace Bros. & Co. Ltd., was a company resident in British India and therefore taxed the company not only on its income of Rs. 17,85,831 which accrued in British India but also on its income of Rs. 7,48,427 which arose outside British India.

The appeal will raise before the Federal Court interesting and important questions as to right of the Indian Legislature to tax foreign income.

THUMPING MAJORITY FOR ALL CONGRESS CANDIDATES

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

All the six Congress candidates in the by-elections for the six wards in the Bombay Municipal Corporation have been returned with a thumping majority.

In the keenly contested Nagpada-Kamatipura Ward, Mr. S. L. Silam, the Congress candidate secured 2,563 votes, while Mr. H. I. H. M. Ismail the League candidate got 1,258 votes.

Results of the counting of votes were announced by the Municipal Commissioner at 3 p.m.

SEVEN CANDIDATES LOSE DEPOSITS

Ward No. 11 (Mazagaon and Tarwadi): Mr. K. L. Borkar (Congress): 1,911; Mr. K. M. Rathod (Scheduled Class): 328 and Mr. L. Pandurang (Independent): 49

The total number valid polled votes were 2,350. Votes rejected were 62. One candidate lost his deposit.

Ward No. 12: (Nagpada-Kamatipura): Mr. S. L. Silam (Congress): 2,563; Mr. H. I. H. M. Ismail (Muslim League): 1,258; H. K. Patel (Scheduled Class): 605; Mr. G. B. Wadker: 41; Mr. Nurudin Saiduddin: 28 and Mr. R. P. Samant: 13.

The total valid polled votes in this Ward were 4,650 and the rejected votes totalled 142. Three candidates lost their deposits.

Ward No 16 (Matunga-Sion): Mr. B. N. Maheshari (Congress): 2,585; Mr. Y. S. Pagare (Scheduled Class): 446; Mr. Ratilal Nagda: 11.

Total number of votes: 3,085 and rejected 44. One person lost his deposit.

Ward No. 17 (Dadar-Mahim) Dr. T. R. Narvane (Congress): 2,874; Mr. B. K. Vaidya (Hindu Mahasabha): 962 and Mr. R. V. Pundikar: 11.

Total number of valid polled votes: 3,906: rejected votes: 59. One candidate lost his deposit.

Ward No. 18 (Parbhadevi-Worli) Mr. I. S. Patel (Congress): 1,702; Mr. R. D. Bhandari (Scheduled Class): 725.

Total number of valid polled votes: 2,545 and rejected votes: 118.

Ward No. 19 (Chinchpokli-Lovegrove) Mr. Ashok Mehta (Congress): 1,880; Mr. G. M. Jadhav (Scheduled Class): 396; Mr. N. V. Bhandarkar: 36.

The total number of votes polled were 2,364 and the rejected votes were 52. One candidate lost his deposit.

Vacancies for these seats were caused by the continued absence of the six Congress candidates due to their incarceration under the Defence of India Rules. All the six candidates were put up for re-election. Five of them were, however, in jail at the time of the election and one was recently released.

MUNICIPAL CONGRESS PARTY'S THANKS

Mr. Motichand G. Kapadia, Leader of the Bombay Municipal Congress Party thanks, on behalf of his Party, all the Civic Voters, Workers, Volunteers and sympathisers in Ward Nos. 11, 12, 16, 17, 18 and 19 for their help, as a result of which all the six Congress candidates came out on top with a thumping majority. He also appreciates the work done by the Municipal staff on duty at these wards.

Mr. Ishwarbhai S. Patel thanks all his voters, workers and volunteers for the help they rendered to him.

LATEST COMMERCIAL

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Late News

BEIRUT COMING TO NORMAL

BEIRUT, Nov. 17:—Beirut is slowly resuming its normal activities. Stores, other than shops selling food, have begun to reopen and several Arabic language newspapers have decided to resume publication tomorrow. Patrols, after the curfew, have been reduced and will probably be further reduced in the future.—Reuter.

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"Swaraj is my birth-right and I will have it".

—TILAK.

The Bombay Chronicle

THE FOOD DEBATE

While officially inspired propaganda under the aegis of the Secretary of State for India and the India Office is being carried on to minimise, in the eyes of the outside world, the gravity and extent of the calamity that has overtaken Bengal, in India itself the spokesmen of the Government of India—some of the very persons who had not a little share in bringing about the tragedy—are now attempting to shine in the role of quick-change artists. Instead of facing squarely the charges of ineptitude and lack of foresight, they have been trying to sidetrack the issue by conjuring up roseate visions of plenty that will dawn in the near future if the situation is left to right itself—under their own direction of course! Sir J. P. Srivastava, the Food Member, has the hardihood to hold out the hope that things will soon improve not only in Bengal but also in all the deficit provinces, since his department is putting into execution a 'revised basic plan' of distribution of foodgrains, and because the export of foodgrains from the country has been stopped and "we have secured the definite assurance of substantial quantities of imports from abroad." The Food Member must be fully aware that the menace of a food famine that is confronting not only Bengal but also some of the other provinces, cannot be averted merely by 'redistributing' the grain-stocks, present and future, in the country. The Gregory Committee's report has made it abundantly clear that, under the peculiar conditions brought about by the war, immediate and substantial imports of foodgrains from abroad can alone retrieve the situation now and for some years to come.

What is the basis of the Food Member's optimism that really "substantial quantities" of foodgrains are coming from abroad? According to his own confession, so far only 41,000 tons of these imports have arrived in the country. Mr. Amery has put the extinguisher on all hopes of help coming from Canada, for his Government cannot spare the ships to carry any foodgrains to India—though, as pointed out by Mr. Hoosainbhoy Lalljee, there are 40 steamers on the Indian register which have been commandeered by His Majesty's Government for war purposes! While the lives of millions are at stake is it right on the part of the Government to plead inability to divert shipping from the Atlantic on the ground of the pre-occupations of war? Would Mr. Amery have dared to give such a hollow-sounding excuse to his own countrymen if a situation, even half as grave, had confronted his country? The Finance Member of the Government of India, with a complacency hardly less inexcusable made the remark: "We have reached a stage at which, in order to maintain the war-effort, it is necessary to cater for civilian requirements." This Rip Van Winkle appears to have become alive to the truth of his own observation after four years of war!

A glimpse of the appalling condition of things in the province is provided by the special correspondent of an Anglo-Indian contemporary who have just completed a 700-mile tour of some of the worst affected parts of East Bengal. Here are some of his observations:

"It is difficult to estimate how many million people were affected. Some reports suggest ten per cent. of the total population of the province, which would mean 6,000,000. In Dacca, Mymensingh, Barisal and Faridpur areas there are 15,000,000, plus Tippera and Chittagong. One class of labourer, the Namasudras, alone numbers 3,000,000 in Bengal, and it is not improbable that a third of these have died. One well-informed observer, with whom I talked in Dacca, considered that the health of a whole generation of labourers in East Bengal had been broken."

"People have died by the thousand around the villages without any record of their passing. No one will ever know what the total was," he writes in another place. And yet, official members, both European and Indian, have been trying to assure the public that the province will return to the normal in a short time. The most effective remedy for the menacing situation is the release of the imprisoned leaders so that they may take counsel with other responsible leaders with a view to organise on a country-wide scale relief measures to cope with the situation, and also to secure the formation of a truly National Government commanding the confidence of all sections of the people not only in the provinces but also in the centre.

FRANKLY SPEAKING

Duce's Wail Of Woe

The reported visit of Mussolini to Hitler throws a flood of light on the internal conditions in Axis Italy. When the Duce was released from captivity by Nazi parachutists, the feat was rightly hailed as sensational and it temporarily sent the Fascist stock up. The Duce was ceremoniously reinstalled on his broken pedestal and he formed a new Government with the help of men like Farinacci. Actually, however, it was not the Italian Fascists under Mussolini but German troops under Rommel and Kesselring who formed the real Government. The latter, while paying lip homage to Mussolini, ruled Italy like the other occupied countries in Europe. The Duce seems to have begun to chafe under the New Order which reduced him to a laughing stock in the eyes of even his own admirers. The scorched earth policy which the Germans are systematically following and the threatened destruction of Rome have also apparently alarmed Mussolini. No wonder then he is running to his master with his wail of woe. It remains to be seen what consolation he gets.

An Interesting Statement

At his press conference Mr. Cordell Hull gave the assurance that no secret agreement was reached at Moscow and that it laid the basis foundations for widespread post-war international co-operation. He also gave the good news that since the Conference dissemination of information and exchange of views—and, therefore, naturally mutual understanding and confidence—between the United Nations have greatly improved. All this is welcome, although it must be remembered that the friendly understanding and "widespread post-war international co-operation" apply strictly to Europe and are intended to benefit Axis dominated countries and peoples. But there is another statement made by Mr. Cordell Hull which is even more definitely interesting. "The Free German movement in Russia," he declared, "had no significance the moment M. Molotov signed the Four Nation Agreement—if the movement ever had any significance." This rather excites curiosity.

The Net Result

A U. S. spokesman in Washington stated yesterday that planes from Admiral Halsey's command in the South-West Pacific had destroyed 102 Japanese planes during the last six days for the loss of only 15 American planes, thus raising the proportion from 4 to 1 to 7 to 1. Moreover, these planes have been achieving regular success against Jap shipping and warships in the area. Nor is that all. General MacArthur's offensive in New Guinea and in the Solomons continues to make steady, though slow, progress without the Japs being able to check, much less to turn, the advance. If this is the net result of the "complete annihilation", as recently claimed by the Japs, of Admiral Halsey's entire South-Pacific fleet, the Americans will welcome "complete annihilation" in regular succession!

Fighting On Leros

Discussing the "bitter and dogged fighting" in Leros, Reuter's special correspondent at Cairo says: "The next few days should decide whether or not the defenders can hold the island. Germany's anxiety to regain Leros is not only a desire to achieve a victory to offset the long record of operational defeats but is in keeping with the well-conceived German strategic plan to maintain at all costs a grip on the 'iron-ring' of island in the Aegean, which the Allies recently 'punctured' by the occupation of Cos, Samos and Leros". When the Germans landed at Cos and captured and when, later, they attacked Leros we criticised the British not for establishing themselves on three islands of the Dodecanese group but because of their subsequent amazing inactivity. For that inactivity meant missing one of the most valuable strategic opportunities against the Germans.

Municipal Teachers On Strike

That four hundred Municipal school teachers under training in training institutions should have been on strike is not creditable to the Bombay Municipal Corporation. These teachers get a stipend of only Rs. 35 per month though their average pay as teachers is double the amount. Many of them have been compelled to obtain training after having served the Municipality for many years. Their demand that they should get their "duty pay", including dearness allowance, while they are being trained, is most reasonable, having regard to their family commitments and the present cost of living. The Corporation must accept their demand which, we are glad to note, has been endorsed by the Schools Committee.

Profiteering Charge Against Government

M.L.A.'s Revelations Of Bribery And Corruption

NEW DELHI, Nov. 17.

The Assembly to-day disposed of the four remaining official bills on the agenda for the session and devoted the rest of the sitting to further debate on the famine.

The House passed Sir Azizul Huque's two bills, one further to amend the Indian Tea Control Act and the other further to amend the Indian Companies Act. The Finance Member's bill to consolidate and amend the law relating to Central Excise duties was referred to a Select Committee and the Law Member's motion for circulation of the bill to amend and codify the Hindu Law relating to intestate succession as reported by the Joint Committee was passed.

Mr. Govind Deshmukh continuing the famine debate complained of heavy exports of food-grain from Central Provinces and asked that the food supplies to Italian and other foreign prisoners of war quartered in India should be H.M.G.'s responsibility and not the Government of India's.

He alleged that the subsidy granted by the Central Government for encouraging cultivators to change over from cash to food crops was not reaching the cultivators in full and that the cultivator was being forced to contribute a part of that money to Red Cross and other funds.

This, Mr. Deshmukh declared, should stop.

"SIX CRORES AS BRIBES"

Sir Ziauddin Ahmed complained against the way in which the Food Department had ignored members of the House in chosing the personnel of conferences and committees and he alleged that this was done because the Department found members of the House very inconvenient in their criticism.

For instance, he had heard from traders that in one area they had to spend something like six crores of rupees as bribes.

Facts like this were bound to be raised by members of the House and were bound to be inconvenient to the Food Department.

INDIA THANKS HELPERS IN DISTRESS

Mr. G. V. Deshmukh expressed thanks of the House to those nations who had shown their sympathy in India's distress, and particularly to the contribution of £100,000 by Ireland with promise of another £100,000 to come. The speaker thanked China for her contribution and took the opportunity to congratulate Russia, the great Asiatic European nation for recovering her lands from a foreign foe.

Mr. Nauman declared that the famine was man-made, and it should be relieved by man-made efforts.

Mr. Rangiah Naidu and Bhagchand Soni also spoke.

Sardar Sant Singh joined in giving this country's thanks to those who had come to its help, particularly Ireland and China. As regards profiteering, he declared that he knew that the Bengal Government made profits. He also knew that the Central Government made a profit of one rupee two annas per maund on wheat bought from the Punjab and sold to Bengal, and in this way, made a profit of Rs. one crore. Was the Finance Member prepared to deny that?

Sir Jeremy Raisman was heard to remark that he was prepared to give ten rupees for everyone which Sardar Sant Singh alleged had been made by the Central Government.

Sardar Sant Singh went on to repeat the charge against the Central Government. The Finance Member interrupting him again asked if he supported taxation by Government to cover themselves against loss on food supplies.

The Food Member remarked that what Sardar Sant Singh said was ancient history and that he would give a reply in due course.

Sardar Sant Singh charged the millers of Bengal with making large profits. (Sir Henry Richardson: untrue).

Referring to the War Transport Member's statement about empty wagons coming from the Punjab because no wheat was forthcoming, Sardar Sant Singh gave figures of wheat which he said was lying in stations in the Punjab for want of wagons.

Mr. Hegde a Congress Member from South Kanara warmly repudiated the charge of hoarding by cultivators and asked the Government to specify in what provinces the cultivators were hoarding.

On the other hand, he declared that traders who hoarded and were prosecuted were let off if they contributed to the war fund.

The debate was adjourned till to-morrow.—

SOUTH AFRICANS IN INDIAN SERVICE

The employment of two South African evacuees from Burma in the utilisation branch of the Geological Survey of India evoked a question by Sir Abdul Halim Ghaznavi in the Central Assembly to-day.

Dr. N. B. Khare, Indians Overseas Member, said one of the officers was conducting prospecting operations in connection with the reopening of the lead and zinc mines in Zawar in Mewar State at a salary of Rs. 1,500. The second was a mining engineer assisting mica miners in Rajputana in obtaining stores and increasing their production and his pay was Rs. 800. Both the officers, said Dr. Khare, possessed exceptional qualifications for the work they were doing "which is of the greatest value to the war effort." They were employed because no Indian was available with such qualifications. The appointments, he added, were made before the Pegging Act was passed by the South African Legislature.

Mr. Khare said that rules were being framed under the Reciprocity Act and those rules would contain provisions regarding such employments.

INDIANS IN MAURITIUS

Dr. Khare informed Mr. Govind Deshmukh that the recent disturbances in Mauritius in which Indians were involved occurred on four estates pending the settlement of a demand for higher wages. The police were reported to have been assaulted and in the course of firing which followed three persons were killed and three wounded. A commission of enquiry was investigating the cause of the outbreak and Conciliation and Wages Board were examining the adjustment of wages. Fuller details were on their way and after receiving them Dr Khare assured he would consider what further action, if any, was required.

Ship-Building In India

Sir Mohammad Azizul Haque, Commerce Member, told Mr. K. C. Neogy that Government had made full use of India's capacity for building small ocean-going vessels and were extending all possible assistance to an Indian concern, which had a scheme for developing merchant shipbuilding: the scheme had to be abandoned temporarily owing to circumstances over which neither Government nor the company had any control. The Commerce Member said that numerous ocean-going vessels would be built in India during 1943, but he declined to give information about their tonnage.

Mr. Neogy: Is any differential treatment meted out to Indian and non-Indian shipping on the Indian Register in matters of requisitioning of ships?

Sir Aziz: No.

Mr. Neogy: Have Government been able to provide tonnage to Indian-owned companies to replace the tonnage requisitioned by them?

Sir Aziz: No, because opportunities of securing tonnage for replacement have been negligible.

The Commerce Member further replied that the exigencies of the war had made it impossible for India to get any ship allocated to it under the Empire Chartering scheme.

MORE WHEAT FROM ABROAD

More shiploads of wheat were expected to arrive in this country shortly, said the Food Member, Sir J. P. Srivastava, replying to Khan Bahadur Shahbhan.

The Food Member informed Mr. Essak Sait that so far as Orissa was concerned, it was expected that the winter rice crop would relieve the situation.

As for Bombay, the Government of India were taking steps to supply foodgrains from the surplus areas as well as foodgrains imported from abroad. In addition the Provincial Government was taking measures to procure a considerable part of the crops which were being harvested or would be harvested shortly.

Steps had also been taken to supply Madras with millets but the position there was reported to have improved considerably.—A. P.

NOT ON 'QUIT INDIA'

NEW DELHI, Nov. 17.

In the Council of State to-day, Sir Mohammed Usman, replying to Mr. Hossain Imam said that the opinions expressed by the Supply Member in the B. B. C.'s discussion of Four Freedoms did not reflect the opinion of the Government of India, and the Government had reached no decisions on the questions raised by Lord Hailey.

Replying to supplementaries, Sir Mohammed Usman said that the members of the Executive Council could express their personal opinions.

Mr. P. N. Sapru: Can they express their opinion on "Quit India"? Sir Mohammed Usman: no, they could not do so. They have taken the oath of allegiance to the King.

The Commander-in-Chief replying to the same member said that the total tonnage of foodgrains held by the military in Bengal, Assam and Bihar on September 30 was 28,574. As far as could be ascertained, none of this was bought locally in Bengal.

Mr. N. R. Pillai told Raja Yuvarajduttasingh that a quota of 2,250 tons of piecegoods and 1,300 tons of yarn had been fixed for export to Turkey during 1943. Part of this quantity had been purchased and shipped.

The Council of State discussed non-official resolutions to-day. Mr. Hossain Imam's resolution, urging a grant of rupees seven crores or more to Bengal to meet the present emergency of food shortage occupied the House for better part of the day.

Mr. C. E. Jones, Finance Secretary did not see his way to accept the resolution. Mr. Jones wanted the Council to visualise the effect of pouring money into famine affected areas of Bengal. It would lead to further inflation, he said.

The resolution was withdrawn.—

REMOVAL OF BAN ON NEWS

The Council of State to-day passed Mr. P. N. Sapru's resolution asking the Government to keep in view the necessity of finding funds for educational expansion and public health improvement in India.

Before adjournment, Pandit Kunzru formally moved his resolution urging the removal of restrictions on the publications of news not relating to the war and in particular news relating to the internal political conditions and the economic well-being of the people. He will make his speech on November 24.

The Leader of the House, Sir Mohd. Usman announced that Government had agreed to allot three days for debating food situation in the Council. The debate will now start on Friday and will continue on Saturday and Tuesday next.

The House adjourned till Friday.—A. P.

Karnataka Dasasahitya Competition

With a view to popularise the music and literature of the Karnatak Haridasas, the Bombay Kannada Sangha, Matunga, has arranged to hold a Competition on the 26th and 27th instant at Matunga culminating in a public Dasasahitya Festival on Sunday the 28th instant. A panel of three judges has been formed consisting of the well-known Keertanacharya Beiur Keshavdas, Mr. R. K. Prabhu and Srimati Srirangamma, B. A., of the Mysore Educational Service. A number of prizes have been instituted and will be awarded to the successful competitors, men, women and children at the public gathering of the Festival on the 28th instant. Several entries have already been received and all Kannadigas are invited to avail themselves of the opportunity of this Competition. All entries should reach the Secretary at Venkatesh Nivas, Bhaudaji Road, Matunga, by the 20th instant.

3rd M.B.B.S., Exam. Results

The following candidates have passed the third M.B., B.S., examination of the University of Bombay held in October.

PASS NOS.: 52 56 58 59 66 67 83 95 99 105 108 119 122 131 157 158 159 160 161 163 165 166 167 168 169 170 171 172 173 175 176 177 178 179 180 181 182 183 184 185

Results of candidates Nos 22 and 42 are reserved.

AMERY WAKES UP AT LAST

Asks Calcutta Corporation For List Of Famine Casualties

CALCUTTA, Nov. 17.

The Corporation has received a letter from the Revenue Department, Government of Bengal, stating that the Secretary of State for India wanted to be supplied with regular information regarding the number of starvation cases in Calcutta and the number of deaths out of such cases.

The Corporation is requested to forward weekly report to the Government of Bengal, as also to inform the state of things for the period from April-October, month by month and also for the last two weeks.

108 sick destitutes were admitted in hospitals in the city and suburbs and 58 died on November 16.

More than rupees 3,57,000 are collected by the Muslim Chamber of Commerce for the relief fund.

The Indian community of Trinidad and New Zealand sent one thousand pounds each to Pandit H. N. Kunzru, President, Servants of India Society for Bengal Relief.—United Press.

Starvation Deaths

CALCUTTA, Nov. 17.

During the fortnight ending 13th November, 1,113 bodies of destitutes were picked up by the police from the streets in the city, while the number of such persons dying in various hospitals totalled 1,014. Deaths from all causes recorded by the Calcutta Corporation during the period numbered 3,835 as against 1,290 in the corresponding fortnight last year.

Eighty-five dead bodies were disposed of yesterday by the Hindu Satkar Samity and the Anjuman Mafidul Islam. Of these, 13 were received from the police, 58 from the emergency hospitals and the rest from other sources. —A. P.

Dearth Of Labour For Harvesting

DACCA, Nov. 16: Reports from the rural areas indicate great dearth of labour for harvesting the impend Aman crop. This is due to the fact that a large proportion of the landless labourers have died of starvation, mal-nutrition and cholera and malaria, and many of them have left their hearth and home for Assam or some unknown destination in search of food in the last few months.—A. P.

Response To Ramkrishna Mission's Appeal

BOMBAY, Nov. 17.

Swami Sambhudananda, President of the Ramkrishna Mission, Khar, has received a sum of Rs. 55,000 from the President of the Rahat Samity of the Millowners' Association, Ahmedabad, for the purchase of rice for the distressed people of Bengal.

Information has reached the President of the Ramkrishna Mission from Calcutta that the quantity of 30,000 maunds of Karachi rice which was carried by the Scindia ship from Karachi to Calcutta has already been delivered to the Ramkrishna Mission in Calcutta.—United Press.

SOVIET FOR BENGAL RELIEF

(From A Special Correspondent)

LONDON, Nov. 17

Russia is also taking interest in Indian famine. Rice supplies from Turkestan to be sent via Afghanistan have been offered by the Soviet Government to the British Government for famine relief.

The "Chicago News" writes: "India is starving while the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration sits—until the scope and policies of its Council are more clearly defined. Every one appears anxious to duck the issue whether India has any legal right to ask the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration to grant aid: the question is whether the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration limits administration strictly to direct war victims in the previously occupied countries."

"QUIXOTRY"

With regard to the Cabinet reshuffle, Columnist Driberg writes: "In keeping on Mr. Amery, Mr. Churchill surely approaches the limit of what one may politely call quixotry".

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT

Mr. K. L. Borkar, Mr. S. L. Silam, Mr. B. N. Maheshwari, Dr. T. R. Naravane, Mr. I. S. Patel and Mr. Asok Mehta, all Congress candidates, have been declared re-elected to the Bombay Municipal Corporation in the by-elections held yesterday.

—Press Report.

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In the Assembly Food debate Mr. Hossainbhoy Lalji pointed out that whereas figures for military consumption had been published, figures for export (of food grains from India) during the last four years were not available.

They can't be made available. They come under the protection of the Defence of India Rules—in more than one sense.

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Referring to the profuse thanks offered by the Indian Government to help given by other countries, "why" Mr. Hossainbhoy Lalji asked, "did nobody thank India when food was going out from here?"

Because that was an obvious and very elementary, in fact, "raison-d'etrish" duty of India.

And who knows Mr. Amery, the British Government and its Indian Government may not have been the recipients of due appreciation.

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Mr. Akhil Chandra Datta advocated the release of Congressmen because "they will be the most suitable agency to deal with the problem. The moment they take up the work, confidence will be restored."

Mr. Datta couldn't have thought of a more effective argument to which the British and "Indian" Governments could react unfavourably as by sheer instinct of self-preservation.

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"Lord Linlithgow never realised his responsibility and duty"—Nawabzada Liaquat Ali Khan.

Et tu Brutus!
How sad!

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Making his first public statement on the Lebanese crisis, General de Gaulle, head of the new and "all-in" French Committee of National Liberation, declared "France could not renounce her obligations and her juridical position in the Lebanon was uncontestable".

By the way, we welcome the inclusion in the Committee of the two Communist leaders, M. Midol and M. Pajon.

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Three Iraqi statesmen have wired to Mr. Wendell Willkie appealing for his support and urging that the Lebanese "demand freedom and Independence and cannot be treated as criminals".

These statesmen are wise in that they didn't commit the blunder of addressing the plea to Mr. Winston Churchill—if you know what we mean.

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We note incidentally, that General Nuri Saeed and his Iraqi colleagues not only continue to sustain the intensity of their sympathy but are also going increasingly fast and far in support of the Lebanese Arabs.

Which is quite O.K. except for the fact that there might be some slight difficulty in stopping and readjusting when an understanding is duly arrived at between the French and the—er—Allies.

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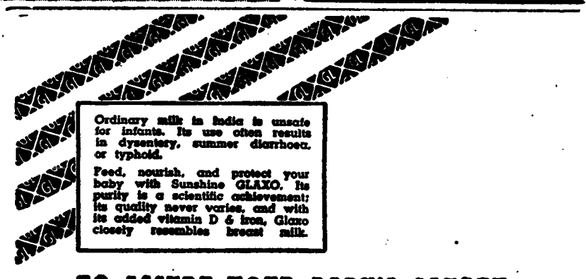

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Sunrise: 7-49 a.m. Sunset: 6-59 p.m.
Hightide: 3-44, 15-32. Lowtide: 10-04, 21-08

To-day's Engagements

STUDENTS' UNITY COMMITTEE: An urgent meeting of the Students' Unity Committee will be held to-day at 6-30 p.m. in the office (42), Kennedy Bridge.

UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS: Study Class on the subject of "Theosophy and the Masters" at 8-15 p.m. to-day, Putla House, Bhaudaji Road, Matunga.

MAZDAZNAN: To-day at 6-15 p.m. at Mazdaznan Hall opposite Churchgate Station, Mr. N. F. Mama will deliver a public lecture on "Man Know Thy Self—its Avestan Original"

NATIONAL WAR FRONT: Exhibition of War Pictures—Opening Ceremony by Mr. B. J. Wadia, in the Convocation Hall of the University of Bombay to-day at 6-30 p.m.

T. U. MOVEMENT: Mr. N. V. Phadke, the Editor of "Indian Sociologist" will speak in Urdu on the history of Trade Union Movement in India to-day at the office of the Majlise Ittehad and Tarakki near J. J. Hospital at 6-30 p.m.

LECTURE ON STAR GAZING: Mr. Padam S. M. Godrez will speak on "Gazing at the Principal Stars and Identifying the Constellations by the Naked Eye" terrace of Bombay Mutual Building, Hornby Road, 7-15 p.m.

B. P. ADULT EDUCATION: The Economics class begins to-day at 6-30 p.m. in Alexandra Girls' High School, Fort. The term opens on Monday. Particulars of several classes at Cama Institute, Museum East. Free science lectures commence on Saturday.

PROF. MOULVI'S DAUGHTER PASSES THIRD M. B. B. S.

Miss Oomar Taj Moulvi, daughter of Prof. A. Moulvi of Ismail Yusuf College has passed the Third M. B. B. S. Examination of the Bombay University.

SIR M. MEHTA ELECTED TO MEDICAL COUNCIL.

For one seat allotted to the medical graduates of this presidency nomination papers for two candidates were submitted. Nomination paper of one candidate having been declared invalid, returning officer declared Sir Mangaldas Mehta, Kt., O. B. E., duly elected member.

Sir Mangaldas Mehta is a sitting member on the Council for the last five years.

MADRAS SHARE MARKET

MADRAS, Nov. 17.

Following are to-day's quotations in the Stock Exchange: Sugars and Breweries Deccan big 34/8, Deccan small 75/12, India Sugar 18/14, Mysore Sugar 60/8, South India 13/2, Travancore 17/8.

CALCUTTA STOCK EXCHANGE

CALCUTTA, Nov. 17.

The market condition generally remains unchanged and the volume of business was only moderate. Government Securities were a share easier.

4TH ADVANCING WEEK
EDWARD
Daily: at 3-30, 6-30 & 9-30 p.m.
THE MOST ILLUMINATING ATTRACTION OF TODAY
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"HATTER'S CASTLE"
Robert Newton & Deborah Kerr (of "Major Barbara" fame)—James Mason—Emlyn Williams.

CITY MARKETS

BOMBAY, November 17.

SHARES: The Share Bazar was steady today with a slightly improved demand which resulted in a small rise in quotations. The market does not indicate any marked change in the existing level. Small gains on either side are quickly backed and the market remains steady. In the absence of any important development, we do not look for any important price move. Tata Steel Dfds. were quoted at Rs. 1,910 and Ordinary shares were quoted at Rs.

ACTIVE SHARES AT A GLANCE

Bombay, Nov. 17.

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396. Bombay Dyeings were placed at Rs. 1955. Century Mill Shares were done at Rs. 948 and Kohinoors came in business at Rs. 625.

BULLION: Yesterday London gold was unchanged at £8-8-0. Dollar sterling cross rate was 4.02-1/2 to 4.03-1/2t at London and 4.03 at New York London spot and forward silver quotations were unchanged at 23-1/2d and New York spot silver was also unchanged at 44-3/4 cents. The local market opened quiet but there being no sales of gold from the Bank prices steadily improved gold opened at Rs. 75/12 and advanced to Rs. 76/6 while silver after opening at Rs. 120/10 improved to Rs. 121/4. There was moderate covering and tone was steady.

COTTON: The cotton market was fairly steady under scattered covering after yesterday's sharp drop. The market sentiment is still bearish and there is less inclination to buy cotton although present prices are attractive. It is reported that mills are well covered and they are reluctant buyers under the belief that when the crop begins in volumes, there will be increased hedge sales and lower prices will be reached. It remains to be seen how far this hope works but today cotton has no friend. January delivery opened at Rs. 443 and declined to Rs. 442/8. At this level there was modest support and prices rallied to Rs. 445/8. At the rise the support failed and under renewed selling prices declined to Rs. 440/6. March was steady on buying by a mill.

Towards the close the market was uninteresting. Closing quotations at 6 p.m. were as under:—

	Rs.	a.	p.
I. C. C. Jan.	441	12	0
" Mar	441	12	0
" May	446	12	0

COTTON PARITY: I.C.C. January is below New York January 254 cent points at Exchange rate 331.

HIGH AND LOW COTTON PRICES

	High	Low	Close
I. C. C. Jan.	452/8	443/8	443/8
I. C. C. Mar	450	443/8	443/8
I. C. C. May	454	448	448

AMERICAN COTTON CONSUMPTION

U. S. Cotton consumption during October 846,000 bales against 872,000 bales in September 1943. Stocks in Mills 2,204,000 against 1,930,000 in warehouses and compresses 12,264,000 against 10,433,000 and consumption of linters 117,000 against 111,000. Number of active spindles was 22,599,000 against 22,633,000.

NEW YORK COTTON

December 19.79+03; Jan. 19.65—07 March 19.55+04; May 19.30—03; July 19.07+03, October 18.77—02. March highest 19.59+08 (11-11 a.m) Lowest 19.50—01 (10-2 a.m.) Middling spot 20.47+04.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

December 19.90—02, January 19.81—2 March 19.67—01, May 19.43—01 Middling spot 19.62.

NEW YORK COTTON
NOON CALL
December 19.80, Mar 19.56, May 19.30

The Half-Column
By "Dim"

The Municipal Corporation by-election results show a return of SIX candidates in SIX wards—all with a substantial majority. Seven candidates of other political persuasions lost their deposits. It reflects the mood of the people and not even Tottenham's pamphlet nor all the posters of the National War Front could stop the return of the Congress.

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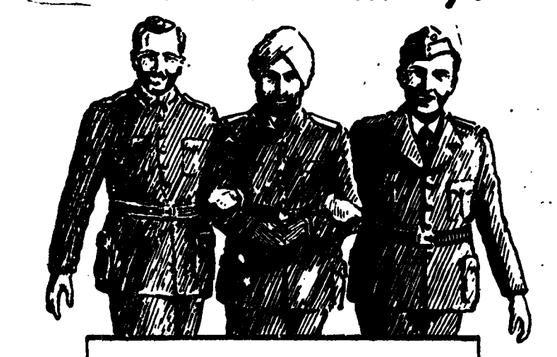
It was announced in the papers that the picture of the week—WHEN JOHNNY COMES MARCHING HOME which was being shown at the Regal had been withdrawn "due to UNAVOIDABLE circumstances". The word "unavoidable" is significant in view of the incident that took place this week at the Regal where some British Other Ranks in the audience did not quite like the idea of the U.S. telling them that they were coming to win the war. Can the Regal tell us why the picture was withdrawn?

The press note that appeared in the "Evening News" on Tuesday referring to the circumstances which led to the withdrawal as UNAVOIDABLE needs a little probing into. Does it mean that such demonstrations on the part of British Other Ranks towards their great ally, the United States are UNAVOIDABLE? I thought Mr. Churchill said the U. S. and Britain were bound by BONDS of friendship and love and even a common language!

This is exclusive news—not supplied by the USOWI, nor by the Director of Information here or at New Delhi. It comes as usual from the men BEHIND the Half Column and believe me there are plenty.

BACK THEM UP—
as we do—to defend you



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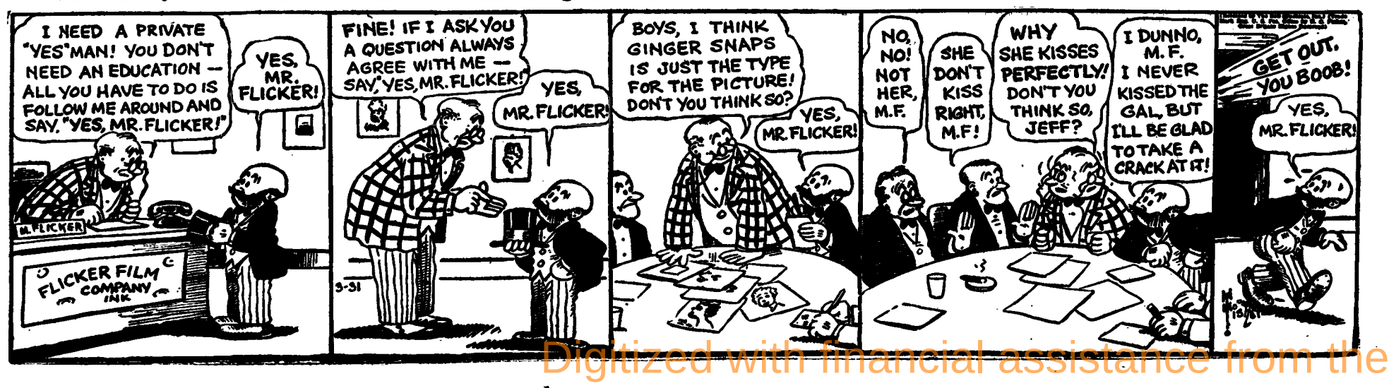
MUTT AND JEFF—Even a "Yes Man" Sometimes Forgets to Yes Himself — By BUD FISHER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PUBLIC NOTICES

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BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY

NOTICE.

WARD ELECTIONS OF COUNCILLORS TO FILL UP CASUAL VACANCIES.

In consequence of the disqualification, under Section 17(d) of the City of Bombay Municipal Act, 1888, as amended upto date, of Dr. Manchersha Danjibhoy Dorabji Gilder, M.D., F.R.C.S., M.L.A., an elected Councillor from Ward No. 2 (Fort Northern and Esplanade) and owing to the death of Dr. Poonsey Hirji Meisheri, F.C.P.S., L.M. & S., J.P., an elected Councillor from Ward No. 3 (Mandvi and Chakla), casual vacancies in the office of Councillors have occurred in these wards, under Section 9 of the said Act. I, therefore, pursuant to the provisions of Sections 22 (3) and 25 of the said Act, hereby fix Tuesday the 7th December, 1943 for the ward elections to fill up both the vacancies.

Nomination papers will be issued on working days during office hours from Tuesday the 30th November, 1943 to Monday the 6th December, 1943 and on Tuesday the 7th December, 1943 upto 4 P. M. (B. T.) at the Election Department, City Improvement Trust Building, Napier Road, Fort. In the event of the elections being contested the Poll will be held on Tuesday the 14th December, 1943.

M. D. BHAT,
Municipal Commissioner for the City of Bombay.

Municipal Commissioner's Office,
Bombay, 15th November, 1943.
(6848)

PUBLIC NOTICES

G. I. P. RAILWAY.

SUBURBAN TRAIN SERVICE (MAIN LINE)

THE PUBLIC IS NOTIFIED that No. 602 Up Kurla local train scheduled to leave Kurla at 3-15 hrs. on 19th November, 1943, is cancelled.

(6845)

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the Public that the Partnership heretofore subsisting between RASIKLAL HIRALAL DESAI, ISHWARLAL LALCHAND SHETH, KANTILAL OCHHAVLAL SETH and MANILAL CHIMANLAL SHETH, carrying on business under the same style and firm of Messrs. K. V. SHETH AND CO., at Lohar Chawl No. 60-90 Oomrigar Building as Hardware Merchants and Millstore suppliers has been dissolved so far as the said Manilal Chimanlal Sheth is concerned as from the 3rd day of October, 1943.

Dated this 17th day of November, 1943.

For K. V. SHETH & CO.,
Ishwarlal L. Sheth,
Partner.
(3274)

WANTED

AN ASSISTANT INSPECTOR of Mahcinery to fill a non-gazetted post in the Shipbuilding Directorate of the Directorate General of Ship-building and Repairs, Bombay. The appointment is a temporary one for the duration of the War. Salary will be fixed with regard to qualifications, but will not exceed Rs. 350|- p. m.

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3. Applications which are to be accompanied by details of qualifications and previous experience should be addressed to the Director of Shipbuilding, Reserve Bank Building, Bombay.

(6852)

NOTICE

AN EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the BOMBAY SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS and the BAI SAKARBAI DINSHAW PETIT HOSPITAL FOR ANIMALS will be held on FRIDAY, the 26th of November, 1943, at 6 P.M. (S.T.) at the Society's Office, Petit Building, 2nd Floor, 359, Hornby Road, Fort, for the purpose of transacting the business that has already been circulated amongst the members of the Society.

By Order of the Executive Committee,
M. R. KOLAH,
Secretary & Treasurer.
Bombay, 18th November, 1943.
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LEGAL NOTICES

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

TESTAMENTARY & INTESTATE JURISDICTION.

Petition No. 464 of 1943.

Petition for Letters of Administration of the property and credits of MAGANLAL MANEKLAL JHAVERI, late of Bombay Hindu inhabitant, a Merchant, resided till the time of his death at Kanu Kunj, Khar, outside Bombay ..... Deceased.

KANCHANLAL MAGANLAL JHAVERI, of Bombay Hindu inhabitant, residing at Kanu-Kunj Ghodbunder Road, Khar outside Bombay ..... Petitioner.

All persons claiming to have any interest in the Estate of the abovenamed deceased are hereby cited to come and see the Proceedings, if they think fit, before the Grant of Letters of Administration.

(Sd.) S. J. RAHIMTOOLA,
Prothonotary &
Senior Master.

The 25th day of October, 1943.
Messrs. M. B. CHOTHIA & CO.,
Petitioner's Attorneys.
(6850)

NOTICE.

OUR CLIENTS were the highest bidders and declared to be the Purchasers of the undermentioned property at the auction sale, held on 10th November, 1943, by Messrs. Ghandhi and Co., Auctioneers in Suit No. 1098 of 1941 Kalyanji Vithaldas and Others V/S Charandas Vassanji and others. All persons having any claim whatsoever against the said property are hereby required to communicate with the undersigned at Nos. 41/45, Medows Street, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof.

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All that piece or parcel of Quit and Ground Rent land situate at Doongry Ccoly Street containing by admeasurement 299 Square Yards, bearing Collector's Old Nos. 842, 843, New No. 6586 Old Survey No. 56 New Survey No. 2651 Cadastral Survey No. 910 of Mandvi Division and bearing Municipal B Ward No. 1170(1) Street Nos. 297, 299 and 301 Doongry Street and Street Nos. 5 to 11 Musjid Bunder Road.

Dated this 17th day of November, 1943.

MINOCHEHER MANCHERSHAH HIRALAL & CO.,
Purchasers' Attorneys.
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AUCTION SALES

AUCTION SALE OF 3420 BALES PUNJAB AMERICAN COTTON.

Under instructions from the concerned M/s BENNETT & CO. will sell by public auction TODAY THURSDAY, the 18th November, 1943 at 2-45 P.M. (N.S.T.) the undermentioned lying at Hay and Brick Bunders opposite General Motor Works below Reay Road Bridge, Sewree.

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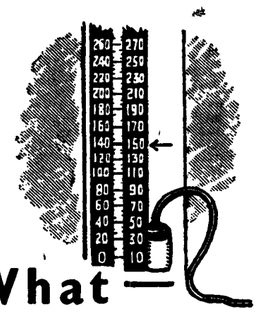

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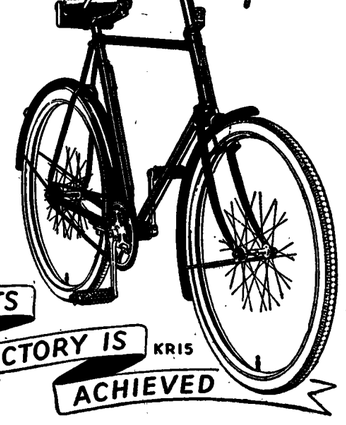

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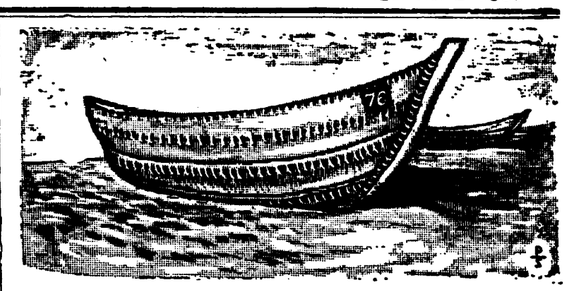

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